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OLIVER H. SMITH
LETTERS, 1841

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Oliver H. Smith (1794–1859) was born near Trenton, New Jersey and moved west to Lawrenceburg, Indiana in 1818 and practiced law. He served in the U. S. Congress from 1827–29 but lost a bid for reelection. A member of the Whig Party, he served as a U.S. Senator from 1837–43. While in the Senate, he served on the Committee on Public Lands. Smith lost a reelection bid in 1843 and retired to Indianapolis where he resumed his law practice.

Samuel Milroy (1780–1845) was born in Mifflin County, Pennsylvania, but moved first to Washington County, Indiana, then to Delphi, Carroll County, Indiana. He represented both Washington and Carroll counties in the state legislature. He later was a land office agent in Crawfordsville and was the Indian Agent of the Miami's at the time of his death.

Austin W. Morris (1804–1851) was born in Bourbon County, Kentucky, and moved to Indiana in 1821 where he was a teacher, lawyer, and politician in Marion County. He served in the state legislature from 1835–37 as a member of the Whig Party.

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection consists of two letters written to Oliver Smith while serving in the U. S. Senate from Samuel Milroy in Delphi, 22 May 1841 and A. W. Morris in Indianapolis, 15 July 1841 regarding the settlement of claims against the Miami Tribe.

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